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RM 9208

Daniel Slentz (dan\_slentz@yahoo.com) writes:

Dear Mr. Kennard,

I don't know that you'll actually see this, but I wanted to pass along my support for the work you're doing as chairman as the FCC.

I'm 34 years old and have been working in either radio or television (including cable) since I was 14 years old. I've studied the technical, legal and production aspects of broadcasting since I was a child.

I hold an Associates in Public Relations and a Bachelors in Telecommunications. I'm from a lower/middle class family (my mom was a school bus driver and dad was a school maintenance man).

I mention my background to give you a better idea of how one of my original dreams has become nearly impossible to achieve.

The lack of a limit in the number of radio stations owned by one company has driven the cost of the stations far beyond what I can ever afford (and borrow). Even the small market stations are now going to the big companies. The change in station caps has destroyed ownership for minorities and middle class people.

Although I'm a broadcaster, I support the decision to recreate a new radio license similar to the old Class D FM.

I hope you'll be able to find a way to approve micropower or low power FM's. Certainly companies like Jacor and the NAB will argue and fight against it, but it won't be for the public's interest, convenience or necessity, but rather their own financial gain.

In relation to my dream of owning a station, I really hope that the FCC will not resort to license auctioning for broadcasting that reaches the general public (AM, FM or TV). The auction most certainly prevents ownership by anyone but corporations and the very wealthy.

Mr. Kennard, I realize you are very busy and appreciate the fact that you have taken the time to read my e-mail.

I hope I have the opportunity to hear you speak at the NAB convention next month.

Best wishes,  
Dan Slentz

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